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b) identifying and characterizing said molecule found by said screening step to be capable of modulating the shedding or proteolytic processing of the 26 kDa TNF; and

c) producing said molecule in substantially isolated and purified form.

Claim 29, line 1, delete "in accordance with claim 28".

Please add new claims 35 and 36 as follows:

--35. The method according to claim 28, wherein said screening step comprises testing molecules for binding to the intracellular domain of the 26 kDa TNF and then determining if a molecule found to bind to the intracellular domain of the 26 kDa TNF in said testing step modulates shedding or proteolytic processing of the 26 kDa TNF.--

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--36. The method according to claim 29, wherein said screening step comprises testing molecules for binding to the intracellular domain of the 26 kDa TNF and then determining if a molecule found to bind to the intracellular domain of the 26 kDa TNF in said testing step modulates the phosphorylation of the intracellular domain of the 26 kDa TNF.--

REMARKS

The Office Action and the cited and applied references have been carefully reviewed. No claims are